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(3) The testing laboratory will participate in any proficiency testing programs undertaken by the Center for Biologics Evaluation and Research, Food and Drug Administration.

[40 FR 4304, Jan. 29, 1975, as amended at 47 FR 49021, Oct. 29, 1982; 49 FR 23834, June 8, 1984; 50 FR 4139, Jan. 29, 1985; 55 FR 11013, Mar. 26, 1990; 66 FR 1836, Jan. 10, 2001]

§ 640.27 Emergency provisions.

The use of the plateletpheresis procedure to obtain a product for a specific recipient may be at variance with §§ 640.21(c) and 640.22(c): Provided, That: (a) A licensed physician has determined that the recipient must be transfused with the platelets from a specific donor. and (b) the plateletpheresis procedure is performed under the supervision of a qualified licensed physician who is aware of the health status of the donor and the physician has certified in writing that the donor's health permits plateletpheresis.

[40 FR 53544, Nov. 18, 1975]

Subpart D—Plasma

§ 640.30 Plasma.

- (a) Proper name and definition. The proper name of this product shall be Plasma. The product is defined as the fluid portion of one unit of human blood intended for intravenous use which in a closed system, has been collected, stabilized against clotting, and separated from the red blood cells.
- (b) Source. (1) Plasma shall be obtained by separating plasma from blood collected from blood donors or by plasmapheresis.
- (2) Plasma may be obtained from a unit of Whole Blood collected by another licensed establishment.

[42 FR 59878, Nov. 22, 1977; 48 FR 13026, Mar. 29, 1983, as amended at 50 FR 4139, Jan. 29, 1985]

§ 640.31 Suitability of donors.

- (a) Whole blood donors shall meet the criteria for donor suitability prescribed in 8640 3
- (b) Plasmapheresis donors shall meet the criteria for donor suitability prescribed in §640.63, excluding the phrase "other than malaria" in paragraph

(c)(9) of that section. Informed consent shall be required as prescribed in \$640.61.

 $[42\ {\rm FR}\ 59878,\ {\rm Nov.}\ 22,\ 1977,\ {\rm as}\ {\rm amended}\ {\rm at}\ 64\ {\rm FR}\ 45372,\ {\rm Aug.}\ 19,\ 1999]$

§ 640.32 Collection of source material.

- (a) Whole blood shall be collected, transported, and stored as prescribed in §640.4. When whole blood is intended for Plasma, Fresh Frozen Plasma, and Liquid Plasma, it shall be maintained at a temperature between 1 and 6 °C until the plasma is removed. Whole blood intended for Platelet Rich Plasma, shall be maintained as prescribed in §640.24 until the plasma is removed. The red blood cells shall be placed in storage at a temperature between 1 and 6 °C immediately after the plasma is separated.
- (b) Plasma obtained by plasmapheresis shall be collected as prescribed in §§640.62, 640.64 (except that paragraph (c)(3) of §640.64 shall not apply), and §640.65.

[42 FR 59878, Nov. 22, 1977, as amended at 45 FR 27927, Apr. 25, 1980; 50 FR 4139, Jan. 29, 1985; 64 FR 45372, Aug. 19, 1999]

§ 640.33 Testing the blood.

- (a) Blood from which plasma is separated shall be tested as prescribed in §610.40 of this chapter and §640.5 (a), (b), and (c).
- (b) Manufacturers of Plasma collected by plasmapheresis shall have testing and recordkeeping responsibilities equivalent to those prescribed in §§ 640.71 and 640.72.

[42 FR 59878, Nov. 22, 1977, as amended at 44 FR 17658, Mar. 23, 1979; 50 FR 4139, Jan. 29, 1985; 53 FR 117, Jan. 5, 1988; 66 FR 31165, June 11, 2001]

§ 640.34 Processing.

- (a) Plasma. Plasma shall be separated from the red blood cells and shall be stored at -18 °C or colder within 6 hours after transfer to the final container or within the timeframe specified in the directions for use for the blood collecting, processing, and storage system unless the product is to be stored as Liquid Plasma.
- (b) Fresh Frozen Plasma. Fresh frozen plasma shall be prepared from blood collected by a single uninterrupted